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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior listings, and all prior versions,

of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Canceled).

2. (Previously presented) The gas-barrier multi-layer structure according

to claim 10, wherein the polyamide resin for the gas-barrier layer A has an oxygen

transmission coefficient of 0.01 to 0.15 cc mm/m 2day atm when measured at 23°C

and 60% relative humidity.

3. (Previously presented) The gas-barrier multi-layer structure according

to claim 10, wherein the polyamide resin for the gas-barrier layer A has a melting

point of 180 to 235°C.

4. (Currently Amended) The gas-barrier multi-layer structure according to

claim 104, wherein the polyamide resin for the gas-barrier layer A has a glass

transition point of 85 to 110°C.

5. (Previously presented) The gas-barrier multi-layer structure according

to claim 10, wherein the thermoplastic resin for the thermoplastic resin layer B has a

Vicat softening point of Tg to Tg + 70°C when measured according to JIS K-7206,

wherein Tg is the glass transition point of the polyamide resin for the gas-barrier

layer A.

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- 6. (Previously presented) The gas-barrier multi-layer structure according to claim 10, wherein the thermoplastic resin for the thermoplastic resin layer B is a polyolefin.
- 7. (Previously presented) The gas-barrier multi-layer structure according to claim 10, wherein a thickness of the gas-barrier layer A is 1 to 50% of an overall thickness of the multi-layer structure.
- 8. (Previously presented) The gas-barrier multi-layer structure according to claim 10, wherein the gas-barrier layer A and the thermoplastic resin layer B are laminated through an intervening adhesive resin layer.
- 9. (Previously presented) The gas-barrier multi-layer structure according to claim 10, which is made into a form of a multi-layer container.
- 10. (Previously presented) A gas-barrier multi-layer structure comprising at least one gas-barrier layer A and at least one thermoplastic resin layer B, the gas-barrier layer A comprising a crystallizable polyamide resin produced by polycondensing a diamine component containing 70 mol% or more of m-xylylenediamine with a dicarboxylic acid component containing 80 to 97 mol% of a C4-C20 α , ω -linear aliphatic dicarboxylic acid and 3 to 20 mol% of isophthalic acid, and the crystallizable polyamide resin having a minimum half crystallization time of 40 to 2,000 s in a measuring temperature range from a glass transition point thereof to less than a melting point thereof when measured by isothermal crystallization according to depolarization photometry,

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wherein the polycondensing is conducted by the following steps (1) and (2):

- (1) melt-polymerizing the diamine component with the dicarboxylic acid component to produce polyamide; and then,
- (2) solid-phase polymerizing the polyamide obtained in step (1), and wherein the relative viscosity (t/t0) of the polyamide resin thus obtained is in the range of 2.3 to 4.2, and herein "t" denotes the dropping time of a solution, prepared by dissolving 1g of a polyamide resin into 100 ml of 96% sulphuric acid, in a viscosimeter at 25°C, and "t0" denotes the dropping time of the 96% sulphuric acid at the same condition.
- 11. (Previously presented) The gas-barrier multi-layer structure according to claim 10, wherein the relative viscosity of the polyamide obtained in the step (1) is in a range of 1.6 to 2.28.
- 12. (Previously presented) The gas-barrier multi-layer structure according to claim 10, wherein said solid-phase polymerizing is performed at a temperature in a range of 150°C to the melting point of the polyamide.